SUBJECTS.

Munsiff, to whose jurisdiction it is proposed to be added, will have more work than he can get through. Government will not, therefore, interfere with the present arrangement.

AMBALAPUZHA TALUK.

Mr. K. C. Joshua urged the following requests:—

155. Construction of roads. (1) a road from Thakazhi to Chattenkarai connecting Ambalapuzha and Tiruvalla:

156. Improvement of cattle. (2) the improvement of the condition of agricultural cattle:

157. Removal of encroachments. (3) the removal of encroachments on the canal from Alleppey to Changanacheri: and

158. Reclamation of backwater. (4) the reclamation of the backwater or Kayalkrishi.

Dewan's reply.—(1) The suggestion of the member is noted.

(2) *Note.*—The question has been already dealt with as a general question. The member has not anything more to say.

(3) The remarks of the member about the encroachments on the canal will be communicated to the Division Peishkar who will be instructed to remove such of the encroachments as seriously hamper the free use of the canal and also to prevent future encroachments. At the same time, the member will do well to bring all such encroachments to the notice of the Peishkar from time to time.

(4) I have already said that this matter is under correspondence.

159. Thottapalli lock and bund. *Mr. K. Narayana Pillai* said that the Thottapalli lock and bund were not being properly maintained, and as the Kayankulam bar was not being opened at the proper seasons, damage was being caused to cultivation by the influx of brackish water.

Dewan's reply.—The Thottapalli lock and bund are under the charge of the P. W. D. The attention of the Chief Engineer will be invited to the remarks made by the member.

160. Chungom-Porakad canal. The member also requested that the canal from Chungom to Porakad be improved and made navigable.

Dewan's reply.—As there is so much difficulty in keeping even the existing communications under effective maintenance, Government are unable to increase the length of canals now under maintenance.

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